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References JP 64-500369 and JP 59-75153 are not in the English language, but corresponding English language publications are provided.

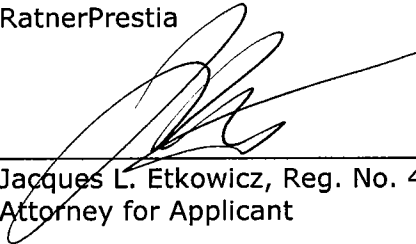
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The required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is provided herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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